

7                   adhesive means selectively positioned between said ornamental  
8                   panel member and said outboard surface of said wheel, said adhesive means  
9                   temporarily and permanently attaching said overlay directly to said outboard  
10                  surface of said wheel;

11                  a decorative layer adhered to said first surface of said  
12                  ornamental panel member;

13                  said ornamental panel member being a thin panel of  
14                  substantially uniform thickness; and

15                  means for temporarily and permanently securing and  
16                  positioning said ornamental panel member on said wheel, said securing and  
17                  positioning means [interposed] attached to said ornamental panel member and  
18                  engaging said outboard surface [and] for causing said ornamental panel  
19                  member to be centrally mounted with respect to said rim portion of said  
20                  wheel and spaced from said outboard surface of said wheel so as to define at  
21                  least one gap therebetween;

22                  whereby when said ornamental panel member is directly  
23                  attached to said outboard surface of said wheel by said adhesive means said  
24                  decorative layer of said first surface substantially covers said outboard  
25                  surface of said wheel..

In the Drawing

In accordance with MPEP 608.02(r), Applicant's attorney is submitting a request for drawing corrections in a separate paper to the Official Draftsman. Upon approval by the Examiner of the above requested amendments, Applicant's attorney will have the corrections entered to the drawings of the application by use of an approved method.

Remarks

To highlight the distinctions of the above referenced invention over the prior art as interpreted by the Examiner in the Office Action of April 3, 1996, Paper No. 5, Claim 32, 39 and 40 were amended to more clearly define the subject matter of the invention and to place all the claims remaining in the application in condition for allowance.